

Complete Nucleotide and Deduced Amino Acid Sequence of Rice homolog of MLH1

1	CGGCACGAGATTTTGAGTCTCCTCTCCTCCGCTCGAGCGAGTGAGTCCCGACCACG	60
61	TCGCTGCCCTCGCCTCACCGCCGCCAACCGCCGTGACGAGAGATCGAGCAGGGCGGGGC	120
121	ATGGACGAGCCTTCGCCGCGCGGAGGTGGGTGCGCCGGGGAGCCGCCCCGCATCCGGAGG MetAspGluProSerProArgGlyGlyGlyCysAlaGlyGluProProArgIleArgArg	180
181	TTGGAGGAGTCGGTGGTGAACCGCATCGCGCGGGGGAGGTGATCCAGCGGCCGTCGTCG LeuGluGluSerValValAsnArgIleAlaAlaGlyGluValIleGlnArgProSerSer	240
241	GCGGTGAAGGAGCTCATCGAGAACAGCCTCGACGCTGGCGCCTCCAGCGTCTCCGTTGCC AlaValLysGluLeuIleGluAsnSerLeuAspAlaGlyAlaSerSerValSerValAla	300
301	GTGAAGGACGGTGGCCTCAAGCTCATCCAGGTCTCCGATGACGGCCATGGCATCAGGTTT ValLysAspGlyGlyLeuLysLeuIleGlnValSerAspAspGlyHisGlyIleArgPhe	360
361	GAGGATTTGGCAATATTGTGCGAAAGGCATACTACCTCAAAGTTATCTGCATACGAGGAT GluAspLeuAlaIleLeuCysGluArgHisThrThrSerLysLeuSerAlaTyrGluAsp	420
421	CTGCAGACCATAAAATCGATGGGGTTGAGAGGGGAGGCTTTGGCTAGTATGACTTATGTT LeuGlnThrIleLysSerMetGlyPheArgGlyGluAlaLeuAlaSerMetThrTyrVal	480
481	GGCCATGTTACCGTGACAACGATAACAGAAGGCCAATTGCACGGCTACAGGGTTTCTTAC GlyHisValThrValThrThrIleThrGluGlyGlnLeuHisGlyTyrArgValSerTyr	540
541	AGAGATGGTGTAATGGAGAATGAGCCTAAGCCTTGCGCTGCGGTGAAAGGAACTCAAGTC ArgAspGlyValMetGluAsnGluProLysProCysAlaAlaValLysGlyThrGlnVal	600
601	ATGGTTGAAAATCTATTTTACAACATGGTAGCCCGCAAGAAAACATTGCAGAACTCCAAT MetValGluAsnLeuPheTyrAsnMetValAlaArgLysLysThrLeuGlnAsnSerAsn	660
661	GATGACTACCCCAAGATCGTAGACTTCATCAGTCGGTTTGAGTCCATCACATCAACGTT AspAspTyrProLysIleValAspPheIleSerArgPheAlaValHisHisIleAsnVal	720
721	ACCTTCTCTTGAGAAAGCATGGAGCCAATAGAGCAGATGTTTCATAGTCAAGTACATCC ThrPheSerCysArgLysHisGlyAlaAsnArgAlaAspValHisSerAlaSerThrSer	780
781	TCAAGGTTAGATGCTATCAGGAGTGTCTATGGGGCTTCTGTCGTTTCGTGATCTCATAGAA SerArgLeuAspAlaIleArgSerValTyrGlyAlaSerValValArgAspLeuIleGlu	840

FIGURE 1A

841	ATAAAGGTTTCATATGAGGATGCTGCAGATTCAATCTTCAAGATGGATGGTTACATCTCA IleLysValSerTyrGluAspAlaAlaAspSerIlePheLysMetAspGlyTyrIleSer	900
901	AATGCAAATTATGTGGCAAAGAAGATTACAATGATTCTTTTCATAAATGATAGGCTTGTA AsnAlaAsnTyrValAlaLysLysIleThrMetIleLeuPheIleAsnAspArgLeuVal	960
961	GACTGTACTGCTTTGAAAAGAGCTATTGAATTTGTGTACTCTGCAACATTGCCTCAAGCA AspCysThrAlaLeuLysArgAlaIleGluPheValTyrSerAlaThrLeuProGlnAla	1020
1021	TCCAAACCTTTTCATATACATGTCCATACATCTTCCATCAGAACACGTGGATGTTAATATA SerLysProPheIleTyrMetSerIleHisLeuProSerGluHisValAspValAsnIle	1080
1081	CACCCAACCAAGAAAGAGGTTAGCCTTTTGAATCAAGAGCGTATTATTGAAACAATAAGA HisProThrLysLysGluValSerLeuLeuAsnGlnGluArgIleIleGluThrIleArg	1140
1141	AATGCTATTGAGGAAAACTGATGAATTCTAATACAACCAGGATATTCCAAACTCAGGCA AsnAlaIleGluGluLysLeuMetAsnSerAsnThrThrArgIlePheGlnThrGlnAla	1200
1201	TTAAACTTATCAGGGATTGCTCAAGCTAACCCACAAAAGGATAAGGTTTCTGAGGCCAGT LeuAsnLeuSerGlyIleAlaGlnAlaAsnProGlnLysAspLysValSerGluAlaSer	1260
1261	ATGGGTTCTGGAACAAAATCTCAAAAAATTCCTGTGAGCCAAATGGTCAGAACAGATCCA MetGlySerGlyThrLysSerGlnLysIleProValSerGlnMetValArgThrAspPro	1320
1321	CGCAATCCATCTGGAAGATTGCACACCTACTGGCACGGGCAATCTTCAAATCTTGAAAAG ArgAsnProSerGlyArgLeuHisThrTyrTrpHisGlyGlnSerSerAsnLeuGluLys	1380
1381	AAATTTGATCTTGTATCTGTAAGAAATGTTGTAAGATCAAGGAGAAACCAAAAAGATGCT LysPheAspLeuValSerValArgAsnValValArgSerArgArgAsnGlnLysAspAla	1440
1441	GGTGATTTGTCAAGCCGTCATGAGCTCCTTGTGGAAATAGATTCTAGCTTCCATCCTGGC GlyAspLeuSerSerArgHisGluLeuLeuValGluIleAspSerSerPheHisProGly	1500
1501	CTTTTGGACATTGTCAAGAACTGCACATATGTTGGACTTGCCGATGAAGCCTTTGCTTTG LeuLeuAspIleValLysAsnCysThrTyrValGlyLeuAlaAspGluAlaPheAlaLeu	1560
1561	ATACAACACAATACCCGCTTATACCTTGTAATGTGGTAAATATTAGTAAAGAACTTATG IleGlnHisAsnThrArgLeuTyrLeuValAsnValValAsnIleSerLysGluLeuMet	1620
1621	TACCAGCAAGCTTTGTGCCGTTTGGGAACTTCAATGCTATTTCAGCTCAGTGAACCAGCT TyrGlnGlnAlaLeuCysArgPheGlyAsnPheAsnAlaIleGlnLeuSerGluProAla	1680

FIGURE 1B

1681	CCACTTCAGGAGTTGCTGGTGATGGCACTGAAAGACGATGAATTGATGAGTGATGAAAAG ProLeuGlnGluLeuLeuValMetAlaLeuLysAspAspGluLeuMetSerAspGluLys	1740
1741	GATGATGAGAACTGGAGATTGCAGAAGTAAACACTGAGATACTAAAAGAAAATGCTGAG AspAspGluLysLeuGluIleAlaGluValAsnThrGluIleLeuLysGluAsnAlaGlu	1800
1801	ATGATTAATGAGTACTTTTCTATTACATTGATCAAGATGGCAAATTGACAAGACTTCCT MetIleAsnGluTyrPheSerIleHisIleAspGlnAspGlyLysLeuThrArgLeuPro	1860
1861	GTTGTACTGGACCAGTACACCCCTGATATGGACCGTCTTCCAGAATTTGTGTTGGCTTTA ValValLeuAspGlnTyrThrProAspMetAspArgLeuProGluPheValLeuAlaLeu	1920
1921	GGAAATGATGTTACTTGGGATGACGAGAAAGAGTGCTTCAGAACAGTAGCTTCTGCTGTA GlyAsnAspValThrTrpAspAspGluLysGluCysPheArgThrValAlaSerAlaVal	1980
1981	GGAACTTCTATGCACTTCATCCCCCAATCCTTCCAAATCCATCTGGGAATGGCATTTCAT GlyAsnPheTyrAlaLeuHisProProIleLeuProAsnProSerGlyAsnGlyIleHis	2040
2041	TTATACAAGAAAAATAGAGATTCAATGGCTGATGAACATGCTGAGAATGATCTAATATCA LeuTyrLysLysAsnArgAspSerMetAlaAspGluHisAlaGluAsnAspLeuIleSer	2100
2101	GATGAAAATGACGTTGATCAAGAACTTCTTGC GGAAGCAGAAGCAGCATGGGCCCAACGT AspGluAsnAspValAspGlnGluLeuLeuAlaGluAlaGluAlaAlaTrpAlaGlnArg	2160
2161	GAGTGGACCATTTCAGCATGTCTTGTTCCTCCATGCGACTTTTCCTCAAGCCCCGAAG GluTrpThrIleGlnHisValLeuPheProSerMetArgLeuPheLeuLysProProLys	2220
2221	TCAATGGCAACAGATGGAACGTTTGTGCAGGTTGCTTCCTTGGAGAACTCTACAAGATT SerMetAlaThrAspGlyThrPheValGlnValAlaSerLeuGluLysLeuTyrLysIle	2280
2281	TTTGAAAGGTGTAGCTCATAAGTGAGAAAATGAAGGCAGAGTAAGATCATGATTCATGG PheGluArgCysEnd	2340
2341	AGTGTTTTTGA AAAATGTGTATAATTTACCGTATTATGTACTTTGATAGTGTCTGTAGAA	2400
2401	ACTGAAGAAAGAAAGATGGCTTTACTTCTGAATTGAAAGTTAACGATGCCAGCAATTGTA	2460
2461	TATTCTGATCAACCAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA	2501

FIGURE 1C

AminoAcid Sequence of Rice Homolog of MLH1.

1 MDEPSPRGGG CAGEPPRIRR LEESVVNRIA AGEVIQRPSS AVKELIENSL
51 DAGASSVSVA VKDGGGLKLIQ VSDDGHGIRF EDLAILCERH TTSKLSAYED
101 LQTIKSMGFR **GEALASMTYV** GHVTVTTITE GQLHGYRVSY RDGVMENEPK
151 PCAAVKGTQV MVENLFYNMV ARKKTQLQNSN DDYPKIVDFI SRFVHHINV
201 TFSCRKHGAN RADVHSASTS SRLDAIRSVY GASVVRDLIE IKVSYEDAAD
251 SIFKMDGYIS NANYVAKKIT MILFINDRLV DCTALKRAIE FVYSATLPQA
301 SKPFIYMSIH LPSEHVDVNI HPTKKEVSL NQERIIETIR NAIEEKLMS
351 NTTRIFQTQA LNLSGIAQAN PQDKVSEAS MSGGTSQKI PVSQMVRTDP
401 RNPSGRLHTY WHGQSSNLEK KFDLVSVRNV VRSRRNQKDA GDLSSRHELL
451 VEIDSSFHPG LLDIVKNCTY VGLADEAFAL IQHNTRLV NVVNISKELM
501 YQQALCRFGN FNAIQLSEPA PIQELLVMAL KDELMSDEK DDEKLEIAEV
551 NTEILKENAE MINEYFSIHI DQDGKLTRLP VVLDQYTPDM DRLPEFVLAL
601 GNDVTWDDEK ECFRTVASAV GNFYALHPPI LPNPSGNGIH LYKKNRDSMA
651 DEHAENDLIS DENDVDQELL AEAEAAWAQR EWTIQHVLFP SMRLFLKPPK
701 SMATDGTFTVQ VASLEKLYKI FERC*

mutL/PMS1 signature sequence is shown in bold.

FIGURE 2

Amino Acid Sequence Comparison of Rice and Arabidopsis mutL Homologs

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2  DEPSPRGGGCAGEPPRIRRLSESVVNRIAAGEVIQRPSSAVKELIENSLD 51
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13  EEESPATTIVPREPPKIQRLEESVVNRIAAGEVIQRPVSAVKELVENSLD 62

52  AGASSVSVAVKDGGLKLIQVSDDGHGIRFEDLAILCERHTTSKLSAYEDL 101
   | .||:| | ||||| ||||| ||| ||||| |||. :|||
63  ADSSSISVVVKDGGLKLIQVSDDGHGIRREDLPILCERHTTSKLTKFEDL 112

102 QTIKSMGFRGEALASMTYVGHVTVTTITEGQLHGYRVSYRDGVMENEPKP 151
   .: ||||| ||||| ||||| .||:||||| |||. |||
113 FSLSSMGFRGEALASMTYVAHVTVTTITKGQIHGYRVSYRDGVMHEPKA 162

152 CAAVKGTVQMVENLFYNMVARKKTLQNSNDYPKIVDFISREFAVHHINVT 201
   ||||| |:||||| |:||| ||| ||| :|| |:| ||.
163 CAAVKGTVQIMVENLFYNMIARRKTLQNSADDYGKIVDLLSRMAIHNNVS 212

202 FSCRKHGANRADVHSASTSSRLDAIRSVYGASVVRDLIEIKVSYEDAADS 251
   ||||| |:||| . |||. ||||| || :. |. .: || |..
213 FSCRKHGAVKADVHSVSPSRLDLSIRSVYGVSAKNLMKVEVSSCDSSGC 262

252 IFKMDGYISNANYVAKKITMILFINDRLVDCTALKRAIEFVYSATLPQAS 301
   | |:|:| |. ||||| :||| ||||| :|. ||||| ||. ||||. ||
263 TFDMEGFISNSNYVAKKITLVLFINDRLVECSALKRAIEIVYAATLPKAS 312

302 KPFIYMSIHLPESEHVDVNIHPTKKEVSLLNQERIIETIRNAIEEKLMSN 351
   |||: ||||. || ||||: ||||| ||||| ||| |.. :| || |. |
313 KPFVYMSINLPREHVDINIHPKKEVSLLNQEIIEIMIQSEVEVKLRNAN 362

352 TTRIFQTQALNLSGIAQANPQKDKVSEASMSGTKSQKIPVSMVRTDPR 401
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363 DTRTFQEQKVEYIQ. STLTSQKSDSPVSPQKPSGQKTQKVPVNKMVRTDSS 411

402 NPSGRLHTYWHGQSSNLEKKFDLVS. VRNVVRSRRNQKDAGDLSSRHELL 450
   .|. |||| : . . | | .| ||. || ||| |: |||| ||:
412 DPAGRLHAFLQPKPQSLPDKVSSLSVVRSSVRQRRNPKETADLSSVQELI 461

451 VEIDSSFHPGLLDIVKNCTYVGLADEAFALIQHNTRLVYNVNNISKELM 500
   :|| |||:| :|: |||||:| |: |||:| || ||| ||||: ||||
462 AGVDSCCHPGMLETVRNCTYVGMADDVFALVQYNTHLYLANVVNLSKELM 511

501 YQQALCRFGNFNAIQLSEPAPLQELLVMALKDDEL. MSDEKDDEKLEIA 548
   ||| | || . |||||: |||| ||: .: |||: :| .| ||| | ||
512 YQQTLLRRFAHFNAIQLSDPAPLSELILLALKEEDLDPGNDTKDDLKERIA 561

549 EVNTEILKENAEMINEYFSIHIDQDGKLTPLPVVLDQYTPDMDRLPEFVL 598
   |. |||: ||| |||: ||||: ||| |. ||||: ||||| ||||. |||. |
562 EMNTELLKEKAEMLEEFVSHIDSSANLSRLPVILDQYTPDMDRVPEFLL 611

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FIGURE 3A

Deduced amino acid sequences of *Oryza sativa* and *Arabidopsis thaliana* (Genbank ID, SP_PL:Q9ZRV4) were compared using the Bestfit program of GCG.

FIGURE 3B

Comparison of cDNA sequences of MLH1 orthologs from *A. thaliana* and *O. sativa*

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158 GGGAGCCGCCCGCATCCGGAGGTTGGAGGAGTCGGTGGTGAACCGCATC 207
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73  GAGAGCCACCGAAGATTCAACGCTTAGAAGAATCAGTAGTCAACCGTATC 122

208 GCGGCGGGGGAGGTGATCCAGCGGCCGTCGTCGGCGGTGAAGGAGCTCAT 257
    | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
123 GCAGCTGGTGAAGTAATCCAGCGTCCAGTTTCAGCTGTGAAAGAGCTCGT 172

258 CGAGAACAGCCTCGACGCTGGCGCCTCCAGCGTCTCCGTTGCGGTGAAGG 307
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173 TGAGAACAGCCTCGACGCCGATTCAAGTTCCATAAGCGTCGTTGTCAAAG 222

308 ACGGTGGCCTCAAGCTCATCCAGGTCTCCGATGACGGCCATGGCATCAGG 357
    | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
223 ACGGTGGTTTGAAGTCAATTCAAGTCTCCGACGACGGTCACGGTATTAGA 272

358 TTTGAGGATTTGGCAATATTGTGCGAAAGGCATACTACCTCAAAGTTATC 407
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273 CGTGAAGACTTGCCGATACTATGCGAGAGACATACAACATCGAAGCTGAC 322

408 TGCATACGAGGATCTGCAGACCATAAAAATCGATGGGGTTTCAGAGGGGAGG 457
    | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
323 TAAGTTTGAGGATTTGTTCTCTCTGAGTTCAATGGGATTTAGAGGAGAGG 372

458 CTTTGGCTAGTATGACTTATGTTGGCCATGTTACCGTGACAACGATAACA 507
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373 CATTAGCTAGTATGACCTATGTTGCTCATGTTACAGTGACTACTATTACT 422

508 GAAGGCCAATTGCACGGCTACAGGGTTTCTTACAGAGATGGTGTAAATGGA 557
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423 AAAGGCCAGATTCATGGTTATAGAGTGTCTTATAGAGATGGTGTTCATGGA 472

558 GAATGAGCCTAAGCCTTGCCTGCGGTGAAAGGAACTCAAGTCATGGTTG 607
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473 GCATGAACCAAAGGCGTGTGCTGTCTGTCAAAGGAACACAGATAATGGTGG 522

608 AAAATCTATTTTACAACATGGTAGCCCGCAAGAAAACATTGCAGAACTCC 657
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523 AGAATTTGTTCTACAATATGATTGCTAGAAGGAAGACACTTCAAATTTCT 572

658 AATGATGACTACCCCAAGATCGTAGACTTCATCAGTCGGTTTGCAGTCCA 707
    | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
573 GCTGATGATTACGGGAAAATCGTGGATTTGCTGAGCCGGATGGCTATTCA 622

708 TCACATCAACGTTACCTTCTCTTGCAGAAAGCATGGAGCCAATAGAGCAG 757
    | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
623 TTACAATAATGTCAGCTTTTCTTGTCGAAAGCATGGAGCTGTTAAGGCTG 672

758 ATGTTTCATAGTGCAAGTACATCCTCAAGGTTAGATGCTATCAGGAGTGTC 807
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673 ATGTTCACTCAGTCGTGTACCTTCAAGGCTTGATTCAATTAGGTCTGTA 722

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FIGURE 4A

FIGURE 4B

1491 CCATCCTGGCCTTTTGGACATTGTCAAGAACTGCACATATGTTGGACTTG 1540
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1406 CCATCCAGGTATGCTGGAGACTGTAAGGAATTGCACATATGTTGGAATGG 1455
1541 CCGATGAAGCCTTTTGCTTTGATACAACACAATACCCGCTTATACCTTGTA 1590
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1456 CAGATGATGTTTTTGGCTTTAGTTTCAGTATAACACCCATCTATATCTAGCA 1505
1591 AATGTGGTAAATATTAGTAAAGAACTTATGTACCAGCAAGCTTTGTGCCG 1640
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1506 AATGTGGTGAATCTCAGCAAAGAGCTAATGTATCAGCAAACCTTTCGTCG 1555
1641 TTTTGGGAACTTCAATGCTATTTCAGCTCAGTGAACCAGCTCCACTTCAGG 1690
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1556 TTTTGCTCATTTTAACGCAATACAGCTTAGCGATCCAGCCCCCTTTGTCAG 1605
1691 AGTTGCTGGTGATGGCACTGAAAGACGATGA.ATTGAT.....GAGTGAT 1734
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1606 AGTTGATATTGTTGGCTCTGAAAGAGGAGGATCTAGATCCAGGAAATGAT 1655
1735 GAAAAGGATGATGAGAAACTGGAGATTGCAGAAAGTAAACACTGAGATACT 1784
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1656 ACAAAGATGATCTGAAAGAAAGAATTGCTGAAATGAATACAGAACTCCT 1705
1785 AAAAGAAAATGCTGAGATGATTAATGAGTACTTTTCTATTTCACATTGATC 1834
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1706 CAAGGAAAAAGCAGAAATGTTAGAGGAGTATTTTCAGCGTGACATTGACT 1755
1835 AAGATGGCAAATTGACAAGACTTCCTGTTGTACTGGACCAGTACACCCCT 1884
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1756 CCAGTGCAAATTTGTCAAGGCTTCCTGTGATACTCGACCAGTATACACCT 1805
1885 GATATGGACCGTCTTCCAGAATTTGTGTTGGCTTTAGGAAATGATGTTAC 1934
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1806 GACATGGATCGTGTTCTGAATTTTACTATGCTTGGGAAATGATGTTGA 1855
1935 TTGGGATGACGAGAAAGAGTGCTTCAGAACAGTAGCTTCTGCTGTAGGAA 1984
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1856 GTGGGAAGATGAGAAGAGTTGCTTTCAAGGAGTTTCTGCAGCTATTGGGA 1905
1985 ACTTCTATGCACTTCATCCCCCAATCCTTCCAAATCCATCTGGGAATGGC 2034
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1906 ACTTTTACGCCATGCATCCTCCTCTTTTGCCAAACCCATCGGGTGACGGT 1955
2035 ATTCATTTATACA.....AGAAAAATAGAGATTTC 2063
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1956 ATTCAGTTCTATAGTAAGAGAGGTGAGAGCTCTCAGGAAAAGTCAGATTT 2005
2064 AATGGCTGATGAACATGCTGAGAATGATCTAATATCAGATGAAAATGACG 2113
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2006 AGAGGGTAACGTCGATATGGAGGACAATC..... 2034
2114 TTGATCAAGAACTTCTTGCGGAAGCAGAAGCAGCATGGGCCCAACGTGAG 2163
||||| ||||| ||||| ||| ||| ||| ||||| |||||
2035 TTGACCAAGATCTTCTGTCTAGATGCTGAAAACGCATGGGCACAACGTGAA 2084

FIGURE 4C

FIGURE 4D